

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:	Duke	Confirmation No.:	8258
Appl. No.:	10/576,744	Group Art Unit:	3643
Filed:	02/15/2008	Examiner:	Danielle A. Clerkley
For:	MILKING EQUIPMENT AND METHOD		

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Commissioner for Patents
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT,
AND AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2010, in which the Examiner has required restriction between Group I, namely Claims 26-38, and Group II, namely Claims 39-63.

The Examiner has also required an election of species within Group II if that group is elected. Three species are identified: Species A (Claims 39-44), Species B (Claims 52-57), and Species C (Claims 58-63).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.